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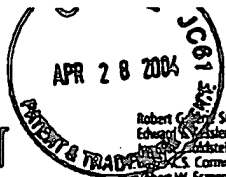
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In reply to the Office Action dated March 29, 2004, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 3), Applicant submits the following Amendment and Reply to Restriction Requirement, Election of Species, and Remarks. This document is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, amendments to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made;
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, a complete listing of all of the claims:
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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

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and
2. Return postcard.

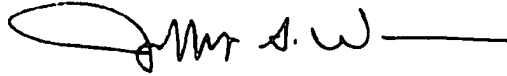
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Respectfully submitted,

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It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Election

In response to the Restriction Requirement listing Inventions I-III, Applicants elect without traverse to prosecute the claims 5-10 and 14-18 of Invention II.